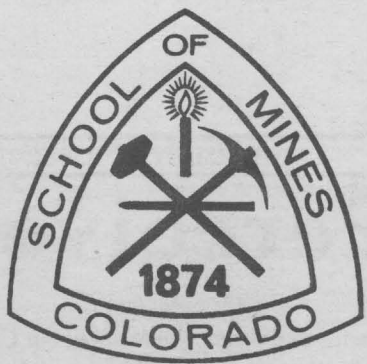




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Round and Round We Go on South Golden Road

David Bonfoey

When the Golden Town Center, at South Golden Road and Ulysses Street, was constructed, changes to South Golden Road were needed to deal with the growing traffic problems.

The city of Golden constructed a new roundabout at that intersection. The addition allowed the removal of the traffic light and access into the newly constructed King Soopers located in the Golden Town Center.

"With all the new commercial development occurring along the South Golden Road corridor it became essential to incorporate innovative, state of the art solutions for traffic management," says a spokesperson from Golden's public works department. "Simply installing a traffic signal is no longer accepted as a cure all for today's traffic problems. Modern roundabouts are a new solution to traffic problems in Colorado. The roundabouts will reduce the stopping and starting of vehicles, which will allow traffic to flow smoother through the intersections on South Golden Road. Safety will also be improved, especially when combined with the medians. The roundabouts will provide a more efficient flow of traffic by reducing traffic congestion and pollution."

The city began construction on two additional roundabouts July 19. The first one is at South Golden Road and Utah Street (in front of the Seven-11).

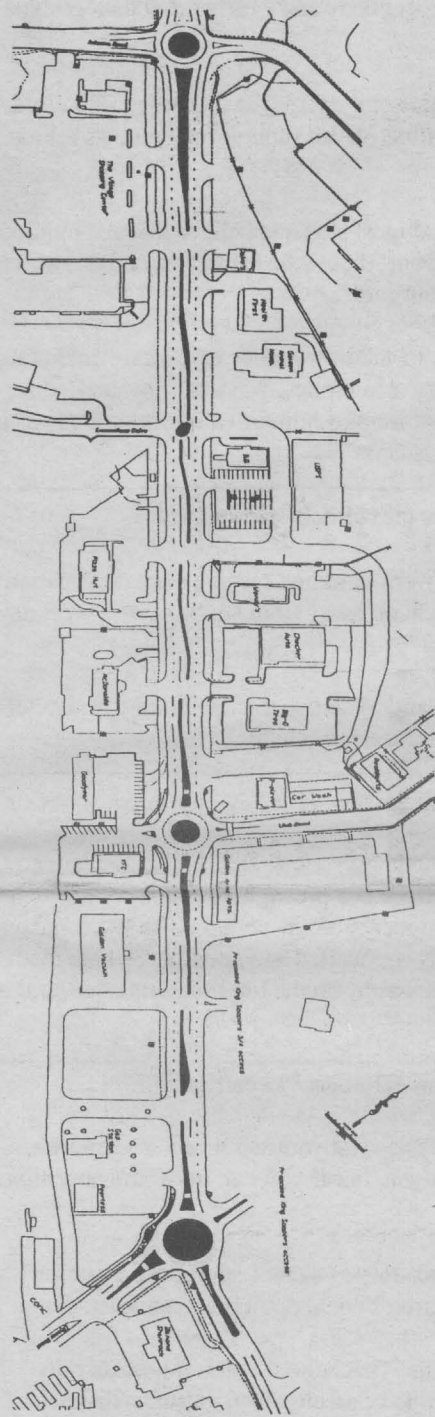
The second is at South Golden and Johnson roads (in front of the Taco Bell). The work was budgeted using future capital funds planned for South Golden Road.

At the beginning of 1998, the city's 10-year capital budget showed \$1.2 million for South Golden Road improvements in 2001 and \$900,000 in 2002 for routine capital improvements.

The Golden City Council decided to move construction up

and use the funds to rework the road layout to handle the increased traffic that would be a result of the newly approved Golden Town Center.

Inconveniences to local businesses and residents include road construction and detours. Utilities were buried underground, including US West, Public Service, and AT&T (formerly TCI Cable) and concluded in July before construction began. This facilitated the removal of poles from



Future layout of South Golden Road



Photo by John McLaughlin

Chaos: The construction on South Golden Road ties up traffic and will continue to do so until December.

the area.

They city claims that some benefits will include traffic safety improvements, slower traffic speeds, pedestrian safety improvements, and beautification of the street.

The city plans to finish construction and unveil the newly designed and beautified road Dec. 9.

For more information regarding city planning and road construction contact the Dan Hartman, 303-384-8150, City of Golden Public Works Department, 1445 10th Street, Golden, CO 80401.

Society of Women Engineers Reaches Out to Help Girls Club

Lianne Hill

Fifth grade girls are being encouraged to explore math and science at a program at High Plains Elementary School. Twenty-four girls and six parents visited Mines Sept. 24. The girls are part of Girls Club, a program designed last year by parent Karen Lozo. This fall she decided the girls needed a field trip. She e-mailed the Society of Women Engineers' [SWE] chapters in Colorado asking for a SWE sponsor.

The chapter that answered was ours at Mines, one of the larg-

est SWE chapters in the country. Members of the Mines SWE Outreach Committee, headed by Lisa Lassner, worked closely with Lozo and the school to make the visit special for the girls.

The day started with a chemistry magic show by Dr. Jim Horan. He did an assortment of experiments, including a magical solution that changed colors throughout the hour-long show. One of the SWE members said Horan did a wonderful job involving the 5th graders. "He'd ask questions," says

Lassner, "and they [the girls] would have no idea of the answer—but would still answer." She also commented that the girls' enthusiasm helped make the day a success.

Next was a campus tour, more accurately described as a scavenger hunt. The SWE women asked the girls for ideas about where certain items, like a toothbrush or a computer disk, could be found on a college campus. "The tour was not meant to show CSM itself, but colleges in general," said one SWE member. The idea is to get the girl

thinking about college as well as the possibility of majoring in math or science.

After 'The Real College Experience' relay race and a tour of the geology museum in Berthoud Hall, SWE members presented "What Does an Engineer Do?" Girls were invited to ask about anything, from college to what a chemical engineer does. At the end of lunch the girls were asked to design an alarm clock using various items like toothpicks, glue, and candy Dots, that would not wake up their ficti-

tious roommates. "The idea of this game was to help the girls in getting rid of a common fear—that if they are creative, they will be ridiculed," said a SWE member. At the end of the game, the girls were applauded, given free Mines frisbees, and sent home laughing and happy.

If you are interested in looking at the pictures from the Outreach day or are interested in helping out with the outreach program, check the SWE outreach page at <http://www.mines.edu/students/l/lassner/outreach.html>.

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Thursday

Homecoming Survival Kit

Homecoming Survival Kits will be selling this Thursday in the Student Activities Office and on Friday at the post-game Party. These kits include passes to the all-you-can-eat chili and chicken wings, the all-you-can-eat pancakes, food for the post-game party, and a beverage cup with a drink. All this can be yours for \$5, but cups are limited, so you should hurry.

Volleyball Game

Homecoming 1999 will kick off as the Colorado School of Mines Oredigger Volleyball Team takes on the New Mexico Highlands Cowgirls. The match will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Volk Gymnasium.

FRIDAY

Silver and Blue Club

The 1999 Queen and Beast Candidates will be introduced at the Silver and Blue Club which is sponsored by the athletic department. Former Bronco Reggie Rivers will be the featured speaker at this event.

Traditional Events

This homecoming tradition will begin at 4 p.m. at the Intramural Field. This year, events will include:

- Tug of War
- Bat Race
- Human Pyramid
- Potato Sack Race
- Balloon Toss

In addition to the organizations competing, spots will be open the day of events for anyone who wants to participate. Jamba Juice will also be sponsoring its "Brain Freeze" at the events so come get free prizes and samples.

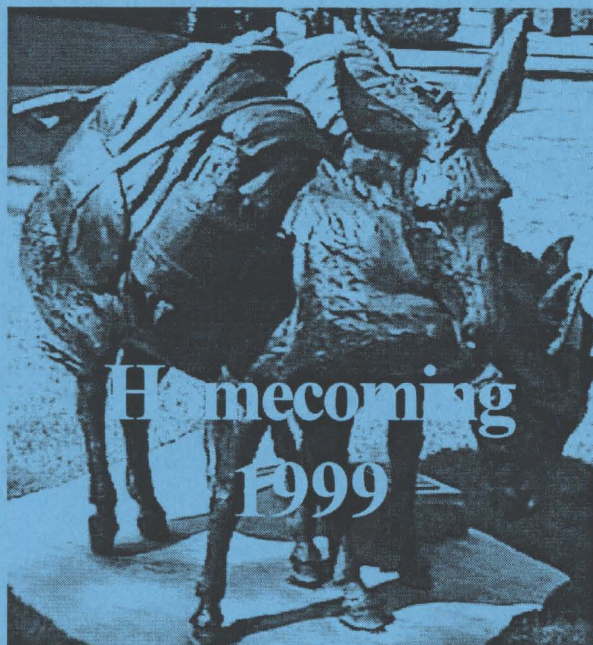
Chili and Wing Cook-off

Looking for a good dinner on Friday night? Come check out the Chili and Wing Cook-off at the

Intramural Field from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Several different types of Chili and Chicken Wings will be provided for free!

Pep Rally

Prior to Friday night's entertainer, there will be a short pep rally to show our support for our Orediggers. Scheduled to perform are the CSM Band and Cheerleaders. Come out



and show your school pride.

Hypnotist Fredrick Winters

Hypnotist Fredrick Winters will be performing at Bunker Auditorium at 7:00 P.M. Come laugh as Fredrick hypnotizes your fellow Mines students and escorts them on a journey into their imaginations, providing unlimited laughter and excitement. Fredrick has been here before and always puts on a great show. Make sure not to miss it!

Noise Parade and Bonfire

Immediately following the hypnotist, students will meet outside of the Green Center and march to the clay pits in the traditional noise parade. At the end of the parade all the lighters will be gathered for the traditional bonfire. The dedicated members of Blue Key will lead the noise parade up to the fire.

CSM Men's Basketball Scrimmage

After the bonfire, make your way to Volk Gymnasium and cheer for the Men's Basketball team in their first scrimmage of the year. Scheduled start time is 9:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

All-You-Can-Eat Community Pancake Breakfast

Presented by the Golden Visitors Center Volunteers of the Chamber and the Homecoming Committee, come eat all the pancakes you want. The breakfast will be held in the parking lot on 12th Street between Arapahoe and Cheyenne Streets from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. With your Mines ID, breakfast is only \$3.50. So go grab some grub before (or after) the parade.

Homecoming Parade

The homecoming parade will begin at 10:00 a.m. This year's parade will include floats to go with our theme of "Engineers for a Thousand Years." Come see what your fellow students come up with!

The parade will run from 16th street to Washington Street to 12th Street. The finish of the parade should end up right near the pancake breakfast.

Football Game

Come support the Oredigger Football Team as they play Adams State. The game begins at 1:00 p.m. at Brooks Field. Mini footballs and "M" tattoos will be handed out at the gate. Halftime will include performances by the Mines Band and Mines Cheerleaders. In addition, the 1999 Queen and Beast will be crowned and the overall winners of Homecoming will be announced.

Volleyball Game

Homecoming will end as it began—with a volleyball game. Come support the Orediggers as they take on the Colorado Christian Cougars. The game is at 7:00 p.m. in the Gym.

Expanding CSM Liberal Arts Department?

Faisal G Hashem

On Thursday, October 14th, Dr. Arthur B. Sacks, director of the liberal arts department, received a petition signed by more than 300 CSM students expressing interest for the expansion of the foreign language development program, mainly by the provision of a language arts laboratory.

The petitioners also indicated which languages they would most like to see taught at Mines and this information was used to generate demographics.

As a result of these demographics, a question was posed to Dr. Sacks: Why do some languages seem to get preferential support over others when the demographics clearly challenge such decisions?

Dr. Sacks offered insight into the administrative decision making process.

Although a student might like to study a particular language, the engineering communities have their own languages of interest.

Therefore, the decision of which languages to offer School of Mines students is based not upon what the students want but rather upon what our administrators believe the students need.

Currently the engineering industries favor Spanish, Japanese, and Arabic.

As for the language arts laboratory, Dr. Sacks agreed in principle with the benefits of providing the lab, but expressed his concerns for the feasibility of a functional yet

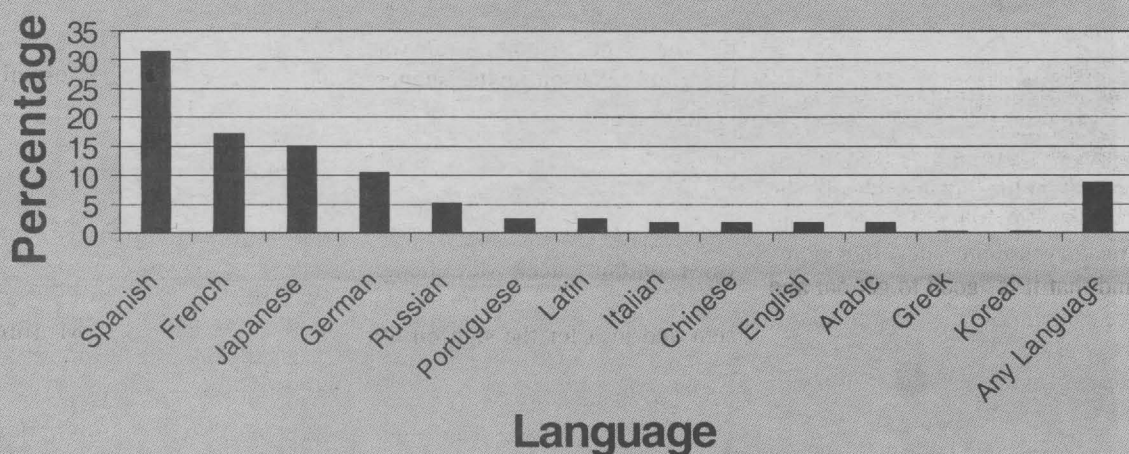
cost effective facility.

He promised to give further focus to the issue.

"The three things I got out of our meeting were the current status of our language arts program, where the program can go from here, and how to get there," says Michael Thornbrue, a School of Mines student, "Dr. Sacks was supportive, interested, warm and sincere."

According to Dr. Theodore Bickart, president of Colorado School of Mines if a lab were provided and the students supported its use, the student body may feel more content, which could lead to greater student retention which would offset the cost of developing and managing the language arts laboratory.

CSM Language Interest Results



Aramark sends "fresh eyes" to Mines cafeteria

Faisal G Hashem

"We need less quantity, more quality," says student Stacy Collins about student Kandace Atherton's observation that "many people throw a lot of food away." Kyle Korn, also a student, says "the cafeteria food is always 'too something'... too bland, too dry, too much pepper." "They're stingy on seconds, the fruit at the fruit bar is often fermented, and the soup is always cold," remarked Paula Koncel. "Pancakes ... at the health bar ... for dinner? Though the salad bar is okay and the ice cream machine is nice."

Two weeks ago Aramark brought in two "fresh eyes." "Fresh eyes" are Aramark employees from other campuses. Their function is to observe and listen objectively to students and staff about their operations.

More "fresh eyes" will visit Monday. According to Alisdair MacLean, Aramark's general manager of campus dining, "these managers come from other Aramark accounts all around the United States." Their backgrounds are parallel to our school's cafeteria staff and "they

come from high success locations." While on campus, they solicit feedback and meet with school representatives. On Monday, they plan to meet with two to three dozen people including Mines administration, organizations who use Aramark's catering services, student representatives, and resident hall staff.

On an informal level, Aramark's "fresh eyes" will be in the kitchen walking around, talking with students during dining hours, and taste-testing the cafeteria food. The first go-around with this feedback project, which happens every three years, was to gain scope and intuitive insight on Mines dining in general. This next visit will focus on catering services, the cafeteria, and students' needs.

What has Aramark learned so far? Aramark has been taking student suggestions from their new per-semester surveys seriously. They will add a new service line, and, starting Nov. 12, the soup section will be replaced with a pangeos station, (literally means 'across the world'). It will start with Mediterra-

nean-style cooking "10 times the quality" of the existing station, according to MacLean. The I-Club now provides food-to-go because Aramark noted that students often need to study while they eat and the I-Club can provide many more spots for studying.

Aramark's "fresh eyes" will answer questions and take recommendations from students, faculty, and administration Monday and Tuesday of next week. Tuesday and Wednesday their registered dietician will speak with students throughout the meal periods. The dietician will also review opinion surveys and offer incentives to participate with drawings for gift certificates.

Aramark currently has a newsletter with information on how to contact them, available at the cashier's desks.

They also now have comment-card boxes at each dining hall entrance. One more way to inform Aramark or be informed by Aramark is its web page on the Mines site, which will soon include a food calendar.

Mines Perceived

Faisal G Hashem

The following are some comments that were printed about our Colorado School of Mines by some well read sources. These articles are used on an everyday basis by many prospective students and parents to judge our university.

From: The insider's guide to the colleges - 2000, 26th ed. Whose cover boasts "Students on campus tell you what you really want to know". The text is compiled and edited by the Yale Daily News.

"The bevy of engineering majors at Mines, says one student, makes for a very homogeneous student body and a rather dull college experience."

"... one senior described some of the required courses as of no interest and kind of a waste of time. Even though they give us a broad basis."

"These classes are tough and most students believe that the requirements are imposed 'to weed out' those who cannot stay afloat, which accounts for the high dropout rate."

"All students are required to take a number of courses including those in calculus, chemistry, economics, physics, physical education, and a course called nature and human values described as 'a lousy excuse for a liberal arts class'."

From: The insider's guide to the colleges - 25th ed.

"Everybody here is here to work hard and receive a great education. We can't afford to take a night off away from studying on a weekday very often, one student said."

"The faculty here are great and of course the technology is state-of-the-art since Mines is an engineering school."

From: Times - The Princeton Review - The best college for you (Current issue)

"The Colorado School of Mines is a prestigious and 'very difficult' engineering school where students often 'do homework seven days a week'. The 'predominantly introverted' students at CSM 'do math' for fun, or surf their idle hours away on the Internet... intense though not overly competitive."

From: The Princeton Review - The best 311 colleges.

It cites a junior as saying "They test you two levels of comprehension above what they teach you, but if you can do it, the education you get is unbelievable."

"On the weekends there are 'lots of school sponsored events with free beer' for students who aren't holed up in their rooms studying."

"A first year student explains: This school is for engineers only. If you are unsure that you want to be an engineer, go somewhere else."

"CSM professors get mixed reviews. 'We need professors that can teach' is a typical criticism. A lot of the professors are somewhat condescending and detached from the real world. On the other hand, around here you always hear about professors awarded for this or inventing that. It's motivating."

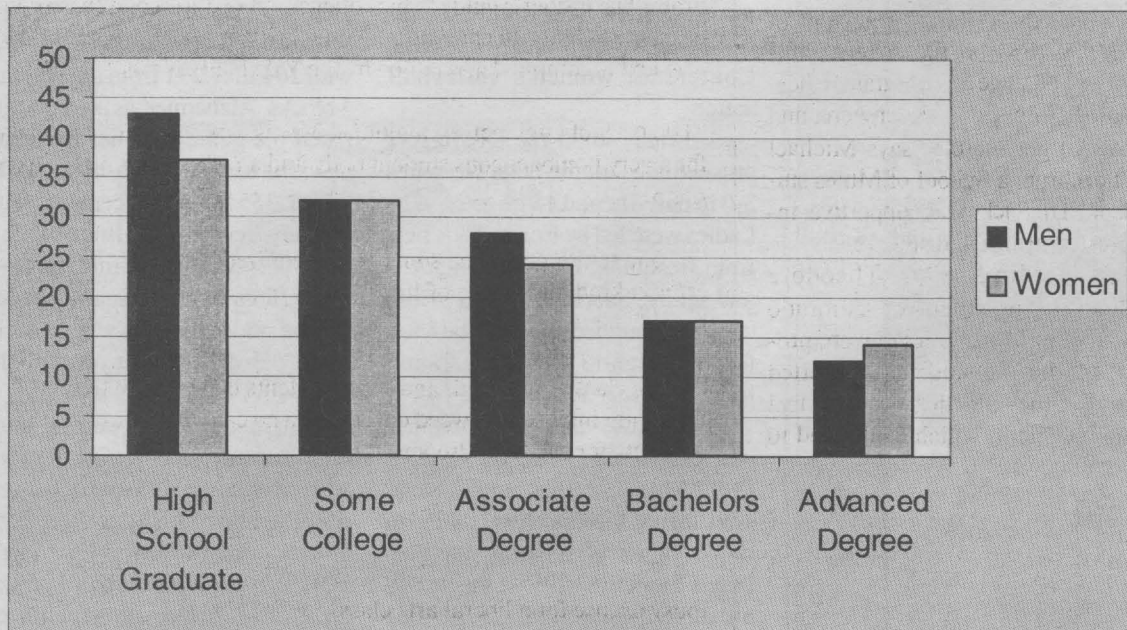
A Concert Coming to E-Days?

Staff Reporter

Would you like to see an awesome concert come to campus as part of the E-Days 2000 celebration? What kind of music would you like to hear? What bands would you like to see? Well your chance to have input on the E-Days 2000 concert is coming! The next meeting of the E-Days committee will be Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center. At this meeting, the concert will be the primary topic of discussion. The E-Days committee will be taking direction from the information gathered at this meeting to plan the concert. Come and give your input!

The E-Days committee is also currently seeking help to plan E-Days 2000. In order to make the first E-Days of the new millennium the best yet, your help is needed. If you are interested in serving as an event chair or on an E-Days committee, contact Jessica Jordet at 273-3908 or jjordet@mines.edu.

Unemployment Rates by Education: Ages 25 and over (1998)



Mines Students Gain Foreign Experience

by: Agata Miodonski

"In a world that is becoming increasingly linked, a study abroad experience offers you the challenge of living and studying in another culture." This statement was taken from the study abroad brochure available in the Office of International Programs (OIP).

It is in fact true that when employers are deciding between two applicants with equal qualifications, a candidate with international experience is more likely to get the job.

The study abroad brochure also states that "Study abroad helps demonstrate adaptability to new environments and risk taking." This brochure also has a list of universities that have entered into a formal exchange agreement with the School of Mines.

CSM president Dr. Bickart recently visited the University of Leeds in the United Kingdom, and the new university was signed onto the list of possible exchange schools.

In September, the Colorado School Of Mines joined the Global Engineering Education Exchange (GE3), which adds several new choices of universities.

A complete list of participating schools may be obtained at the OIP. However, CSM students may arrange for at various universities around the world.

The financial aid that a student receives at Mines can be used at any of the other universities. Also, for most schools, CSM students pay the tuition they would owe at Mines in order to study at other universities.

Most classes students take at foreign universities will transfer credits. However, it is important

that students plan ahead to make sure that the courses they will take will be equivalent to the courses at Mines.

The OIP claims that "by the end of the century, most business people ... will likely be working with colleagues in Mexico and Latin America as they seek to solve problems which affect our Western hemisphere." With this in mind, a six-week Spanish language program is offered for students every year.

In the year 2000, the language program will go from May 8 to June 17. The first two weeks, the students will be in Golden, studying language for three hours a day. The last month of the program takes place in Guadalajara, Mexico City, Puerto Vallarta, and Oaxaca with other CSM students, and Francisco Padilla, the Spanish language instructor at Mines. This six week program accounts for six credit hours - three for language, and three for upper level humanities.

Study abroad is a big decision and requires a lot of planning. Michael Haviland, Executive Director of International Programs at CSM, suggests that students who plan on studying abroad should apply for scholarships as much 18 months before leaving.

Haviland also says those students should begin studying the language and culture of the country they plan to visit one year before going there.

Many students have had the studied abroad through Mines' OIP and the general consensus was that it was truly a worthwhile experience.

The most important thing you can gain from foreign exchange is life experience, said Abigail Wren, who studied at the University of Freiburg in Germany. She said that

you get to learn things that are important for life, not just school. She also stated that doing study abroad "makes you appreciate Mines more" and that it is "good to get out and see something new." Wren admitted that since classes are taught in German at the University Freiburg and the teaching style is different, it made academics "not impossible, but challenging."

"Going overseas was the best experience of my life!!" said Nathan Will, a CSM student who studied at the University of Wollongong, in Australia. He continued, "I was getting so bogged down and fed up with the grind of Mines and I needed a change ... I ended up going to the University of Wollongong. I was scared and excited all at the same time. I had never left Colorado for a long period of time and all of a sudden I would spend six months on the other side of the globe. It turns out that I met the most interesting and fun loving people in Australia. Some of those friendships are ones that will last a lifetime ... I think that everyone needs to experience something like this in College because it showed me that we Americans have such a closed minded view of the world and seeing the U.S. from a different perspective opened my eyes to the rest of the world. I now know that I can go anywhere and work and live in the world and survive."

This fall, there are 16 Mines students studying abroad. If you are interested in contacting someone who has studied abroad, or if you would like more information about foreign exchange, stop by the OIP, located in 109 Stratton, call (303) 384-2125, or email K. Godel-Gengenbach at kgengenb@mines.edu.

Mines Still Needs a Jingle

By Tatiana M. Dueño

After a year filled with suggestions and ideas, Colorado School of Mines is still without its slogan. Last year, Michael Watson from the CSM Alumni Association headed a committee to find a new slogan for Mines to replace the old slogan ("The World's Foremost School of Mineral Engineering") that was removed from the sign on 6th Avenue by past President George Ansell in the 1980s. The slogan was removed because it no longer fit the school, Watson explains. Today Mines offers other options besides Mineral Engineering.

"We met all proposed deadlines, but never selected one [slogan] because none were outstanding. What we are striving for is a top 10 type of slogan," says Watson. He received many entries but the "student population was unheard." Watson invites suggestions from students in hopes of finding his "blockbuster" among the entries.

Among the suggestions Watson received was a letter from CSM alumni Chuck McCollough who in 1952 came up with the design and idea for the sign on 6th Avenue. He recalls the slogan being "The World's Foremost School of Mineral Engineering," but aware of the changes at Mines, he suggests two new entries for the slogan contest. Watson received many entries from alumni that suggested Mines keep "World's Fore-

most School of Mineral Engineering" as a slogan.

Other entries were:

"The Engineers of a Thousand Years"

"The Golden opportunity to improve the world."

"Where learning takes you further"

"Mines. The difference between you and me."

"Improving the world one degree at a time"

"Excellence in Engineering"

"Where the west learns"

"Colorado's answer to Cal Tech"

"Where the pick and the shovel collide"

"A premier Colorado institution of higher learning where we distill our knowledge"

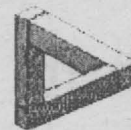
"Engineering the future"

Watson says he would "love to hear from the students" and encourages students to contact him by phone at 303-273-3296, fax at 303-273-3583, e-mail at mbwatson@mines.edu or by stopping by his office in the Alumni Association building (South of the Green Center). "There will be a prize for the winner, although the prize has to be determined," says Watson.

In other CSM alumni news: the State of Colorado is still developing procedures for the development of the Mines Alumni Association license plates, and Watson says he hopes they will be available by next year. CSM and CU are teaming up to obtain license plates for their alumni.

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&
Monday November 8th
3pm - 4:30pm
Green Center, Friedhoff Hall

Oredigger of the Week

Laurie Alzheimer

Freshman, Volleyball
Anchorage, AK
Service High School

During CSM's current three-match winning streak, Alzheimer amassed 60 kills (4.62 per game) and hit .247 from the net. Even more, Alzheimer collected 35 digs and four total blocks during that stretch.

For the season, Alzheimer leads the team in kills with 269 and is second in digs with 212.

A Chemical Engineering major, Alzheimer finished the Fort Lewis match on Saturday, October 16th with a match-high (also a career-high) 29 kills.



Mines Volleyball On Fire

By Jamie Jones

Colorado School of Mines turned it on for this weekend's play against Adams State and Ft. Lewis College in Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference women's volleyball action.

Friday night the Orediggers crushed the Adams State Grizzlies 3-0 in only 1hr and 15 minutes. The Ladies were led by tremendous play from freshman, Laurie Alzheimer, and senior, Sabrina English. Both of them pounded the ball tallying for team-high 13 kills each. Laurie hit an amazing .360.

Saturday night added another win to the Lady Oredigger's record (3-9 RMAC). Mines battled back, after losing the first two games, to win 3 games to 2 against the Fort Lewis Skyhawks. With the crowd on their feet yelling, the Ladies ended the match with a block from Coree Kammerzell and Heather Booker in rally score, 19-17. This intense match was led by amazing performances again from English

and Alzheimer as well as Kammerzell. English could of not played a better match; she had 22 kills, hit .250, had 2 aces, and 25 digs. Kammerzell also put the ball down with 16 kills (.231 from the net) and 4 blocks. Alzheimer, as usual, dominated the game with her front row play; she had the match-high 29 kills with a .355 hitting percentage. This is a new record for Mines' volleyball. This win was definitely a team effort though. Lora Suazo stepped up and added 10 kills and 6 blocks while Booker shut down the Skyhawks with 7 blocks.

These games were a huge turn around for the Orediggers. After struggling for most of the season, the Lady Orediggers are back on track and have won their last 3 matches. Mines volleyball will kick off the homecoming events on Thursday night at 7pm in Volk Gymnasium against New Mexico Highlands and will play again on Saturday night against Colorado Christian at home.

Fallico To Compete In Tennis Nationals

By Judy Toel

Geno Fallico, a senior tennis player on the Mines team, is currently in Memphis, Tennessee, competing in the NCAA II Rolex Men's Tennis National Championships. Competition began Oct. 20th and continues till Oct. 25th.

To earn the right to compete in this prestigious tournament, Geno won the ITA Midwest Region Men's Singles Championship on Oct. 3rd in Greeley. He went 5-0 in tennis action, and defeated Jason Kirkland 2-6, 6-2, and 6-2 in the championship match. This win earned him the title of Midwest Region Representative and a trip to Memphis.

Geno is currently competing against the seven other regional champions in this tournament, un-

fortunately results and match times were unavailable by press time. Best of luck to Geno!!!!!!

For future CSM tennis action, come support your team at their next match on October 28th in Colorado Springs. They will be competing against UCCS at 2:00 P.M

Men's Cross Country Wins Another

By Reece Bollinger

Greeley, CO- In the Dan Libera Memorial Cross Country Meet on October 9th Mines' men placed first out of 6 teams. It was the Oredigger's second win of the season, as they had previously won the Denver University Invitational Cross Country Meet on September 18th. Also in the Dan Libera Memorial Cross Country Meet, the women placed 5th.

In the men's victory, Todd Hund placed the highest (7th), just 1:03 off of the lead. Kevin Donohoe took 8th place and Geoff Streit finished 9th.

For the women, Michelle Roberts took the highest honors on the team placing 19th. Rachel Krabacher was the Digger's next finisher taking the 24th spot.

Coming up next for the Cross Country squad will be the RMAC Championships in Grand Junction on Saturday, October 23rd.

Oredigger Soccer Report

After losing a heart-breaking match to the Colorado Christian University Cougars on October 6th (2-1 final score), the men's soccer team was treated with little hospitality in Durango on October 11th when the Skyhawks of Fort Lewis College shutout CSM 7-0.

Currently, junior Marc Miller leads the RMAC in goals per game at .64 per contest (nine goals in 14 games) and is tied for the conference lead in total points with 20 (nine goals, two assists).

The team will return home for the final home match of the season (vs. CU-Colorado Springs) on October 29th.

VOLLEYBALL

Date	Opponent	Time
Oct. 23	COLORADO CHRISTIAN*	7:00 pm
Oct. 29	Regis University*	7:00 pm
Oct. 30	Chadron State College*	7:00 pm
Nov. 2	THE MET*	7:00 pm
Nov. 5	NEBRASKA-KEARNEY*	7:00 pm
Nov. 6	FORT HAYS STATE*	7:00 pm

Football Ready for Homecoming

The Orediggers fell to 1-6 overall and 0-5 in the RMAC last Saturday, October 16th with a 47-0 loss in Grand Junction to the Mesa State Mavericks.

Freshman Chris White is currently ranked fifth in the conference in kickoff returns with a 22.1 average. Linebacker Oliver Ramirez is

tied for fifth in the RMAC in tackles with 53 while defensive end Matt MacRostie is 7th, having collected 49 total stops through seven games.

The Orediggers will host Adams State College this Saturday, October 23rd in the 1999 Homecoming Game.

IM Schedule for Fall 1999

Event	Register By	Play Starts
3-on-3 Volleyball	Nov. 2	Nov. 8
Billiards Tournament	Nov. 30	Dec. 4
IM Track Meet	Nov. 30	Dec. 1, 2
Table Tennis Tournament	Nov. 30	Dec. 4

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Professor Profile

Editor's Note: This column features professors with the intention of humanizing the people we may only know as lecturers or researchers.

Marco Leon

Why do things break? Just ask Prof. Mark E. Eberhart, the CSM professor of chemistry and geochemistry, who applies the principles of chemistry to understand failure in metals and alloys.

Eberhart was born and raised in Denver. As an undergraduate he went the University of Colorado and majored in applied math and chemistry. Then it



was off to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to study for his Ph. D. in materials science. After five years at Los Alamos National Laboratory and a year as a visiting scientist at Harvard, Eberhart came to CSM in 1992.

Professor Eberhart uses computers to model alloys, looking for the elements to modify an alloy's properties. Most of his work deals with seeking new alloys to be used by the Air Force in super and hypersonic aircraft. He feels that his greatest contribution in alloy modeling is that he can now tell developers when they have produced the best alloy and can stop looking at the effects of additional elements

on properties.

Eberhart did not attend CSM as an undergraduate because of its rigidity. He feels that Mines has made major strides in this category. "Over the last thirty years Mines has become a much more flexible environment," states the professor.

Professor Eberhart feels that Mines students are academically overloaded. "Students have no time to explore and learn outside of the classroom," says Eberhart. The professor is not embarrassed to point out that he

graduated from the University of Colorado in seven years (after 220 credit hours and two majors). He is aware of the financial burden but advocates making it the norm to graduate from CSM in five years.

Eberhart, whose wife is an attorney in Santa Fe, recently authored an article in *Scientific American* titled, "Why Things Break (October 1999)." With more than 70 additional publications he stays fit by road biking. He logs 3,000 miles and a quarter of a million vertical feet per year. During the warmer months he rides up Lookout Mountain a minimum of five times a week.

You Will Attend The Bonfire

During Celebration of Mines (way back in August), the Mines Activity Council did a survey of what activities students want. The results are:

Would you prefer:	Results
A big concert-	60%
A music festival with multiple bands-	40%

How much would you pay for a big name concert?

Less than \$10	15%
\$10	19%
\$15	35%
\$20	21%
More than \$20	10%

What type of music do you listen to (top 4)?

Rock
Alternative
Swing
Techno

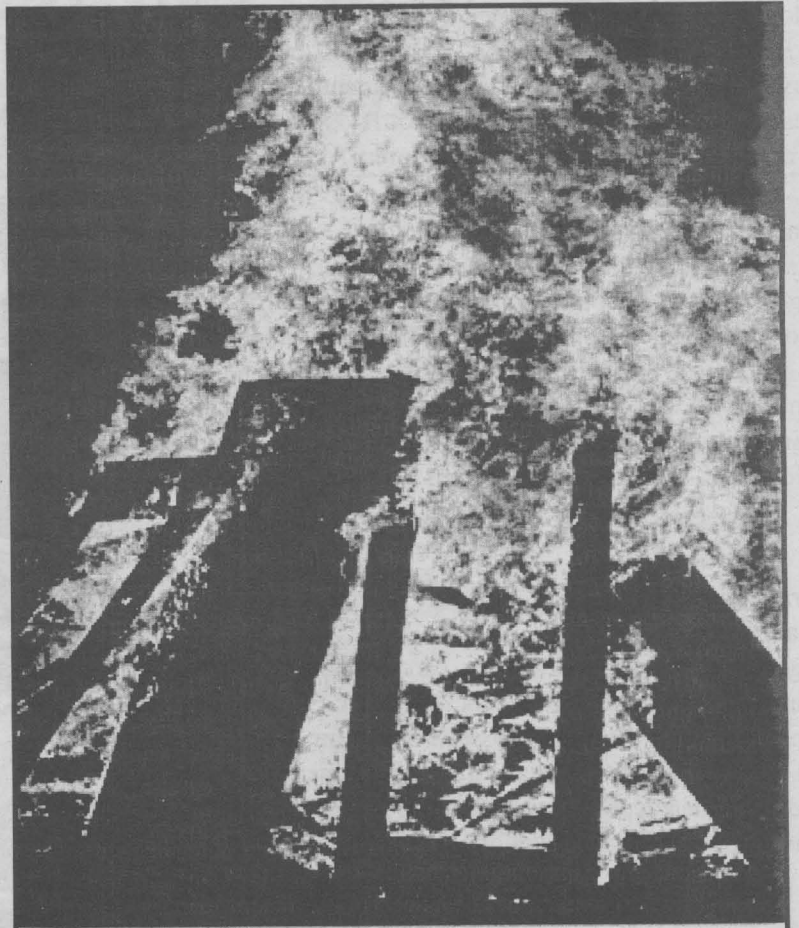
For a dance would you prefer:

DJ	63%
Band	32%
Either	5%

Would you ATTEND a Bonfire on the Friday night of Homecoming?

Yes	75%
No	25%

Well there you have it, Mines Activity Council will try to take all of these results into consideration when we are planning events. As for this weeks activities, Homecoming begins on Thursday Oct. 21 and will run through Saturday Oct. 23. The Bonfire will be at 9:30pm on Friday, Oct. 22 at



Office of Institutional Advancement

UP IN SMOKE: This is not my 1972 Ford Pinto. It's actually the 1989 Homecoming Bonfire held at Clay Pits.

the Clay Pits. I expect to see all of the 205 people who said they would attend there. Thanks for all of your input and if you have any questions or comments please stop by the MAC office or email me, Mollie Schneiter, at mschneit@mines.edu.

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1999 Queen and Beast Competition

As with many other parts of Homecoming, the 1999 Queen and Beast Competition has seen many changes this year. Candidates were nominated by campus organizations separately for

Queen and Beast. Each candidate then filled out an application which will be judged by a panel of students as well as a panel of faculty and members of the Alumni Association. The judging

by these groups will comprise 60% of the candidates score. The final 40% will be determined by voting by CSM students. Voting for Queen and

Beast will be held at the following times:

- Friday from 11:00-1:00 at the Student Center
- Friday from 4:00-6:00 at the

Homecoming events held at the IM field

-Friday prior to the Hypnotist at the Green Center

Name: Mary Larson

Organization: Sigma Kappa

Biggest Contribution to Campus: I feel that my biggest contribution to the Mines Community is my positive attitude. Whether it is academics, extracurricular, or just spending time with my friends, every experience is preparing me professionally. After graduation, my biggest gift to Mines will be as a competent professional, representing the Mines Community as an alumni.



Name: Kip Findley

Organization: Blue Key

Biggest Contribution to Campus: I try to be a supporter which I believe is somebody who can listen and give advice when called upon, who attends different types of school events to show support for the different organizations, and who smiles and says hi to people passing by on the way to class

Name: Patty Ochoa

Organization: MEP

Biggest Contribution to Campus: As a freshman, I was tutored in various classes and attended the Academic Excellence Workshops. In return, I tutored underclassmen for the former Student Support Services. I have also been a member of student panels speaking to prospective students, parents, and high school advisors discussing the advantages of attending CSM.



Name: Jeff Gross

Organization: Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Biggest Contribution to Campus: I believe I am now in the position to make my biggest contribution to Mines. Being a member of the ASCSM Executive council, I hope to help make some changes to existing policies and help bring about new ones to keep the students happy during their career at Mines.

Name: Erin Kock

Organization: Blue Key

Biggest Contribution to Campus: I've contributed most significantly to the people at Mines. I've been a support for many friends—help with classes, life problems, or a simple hug. For others, I've contributed less personally through the Oredigger giving people an informative and readable paper.



Name: Tony Vessa

Organization: Sigma Phi Epsilon

Biggest Contribution to Campus: I have tried to be a good representative for the Colorado School of Mines. My biggest contribution is yet to come. In the "real world," I hope to be a good representative of CSM and its integrity. I praise God that he used CSM to make me stronger, a better leader, and a more balanced person.

Name: Kathleen Obrecht

Organization: Fellowship of Christian Cowboys

Biggest Contribution to Campus: Though I have tutored in many subjects and been a leader in FCC, I believe my biggest contribution to Mines has been as a McBride representative. Representatives report back what they like in the program and how we can improve it. We have been able to improve McBride's minor program.



Name: Matt Cooper

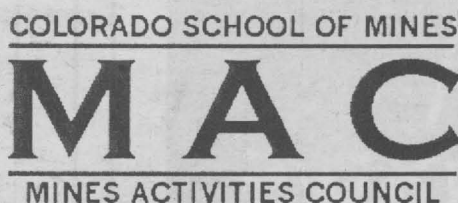
Organization: Sigma Nu

Biggest Contribution to Campus: My strong involvement in a wide variety of campus organizations has contributed to making Mines an exciting and diverse place for students to learn and grow.

Name: Ellen Lester

Organization: Fiji

Biggest Contribution to Campus: My biggest contribution to Mines is my friendly and upbeat personality. I accept people for both their achievements and their downfalls. This makes people feel comfortable around me and help brighten up a day clouded by the stress of school. (Not Pictured)



Name: Jeff Viridi

Organization: Kappa Sigma

Biggest Contribution to Campus: My best contribution to Mines would be my support to varsity athletics. I understand the difficulty in achieving good academics and competing at the same time. Athletics here work hard and support them by going to every game or match I can. (Not Pictured)

Name: Douglas Klein

Organization: Fiji

Biggest Contribution to Campus: My biggest contribution to Mines is not a tangible entity. It comes from my being like one of those "kick ass stress balls from the career fair." If someone is feeling stressed, he or she can come to me and I will do something childish with them to make them feel better. (Not Pictured)

Post Game Partying at Mines

The most exciting new event this year is the POST GAME PARTY. The Post Game Party is to replace the traditional Homecoming dance. The traditional dance had experienced declining participation over the last few years. This year MAC decided it was time to do something different with the dance. A dance only involves people who like to dance to a particular type of music. We wanted to create an event that could involve the majority of students on campus.

What you can look forward to at the Post Game Party:

Faculty Dunk Tank...the awesome participants are the following-

Candy Ammerman
Karl Nelson
Cairn A. Lindloff
Bob Fransisco
Dean Chuevront
Sam Romberger
Robert Knecht
Susan Smith
Bill Young
Guss Grieval
Scott Strong and other
ASCSM People

Some events:

Lazer Tag
Sumo Wrestling
Karaoke
Fortune Teller
Carnival Games with Prizes
Music
Food and Beverages

The Post Game Party will be the highlight of the weekend you won't want to miss. See you October 23 after the Orediggers defeat Adam's State.

Where to Eat

Friday

All you can eat Chili and Chicken Wings, IM parking lot 4:30-6:30pm

Saturday

All you can eat Pancake Breakfast, \$3.50 w/ ID (or part of survival kit), Empty lot between Arapaho and Chey-

enne off of 12th. Approximately at the end of the parade route. 8-11:30am

Post game party: hotdogs, soft pretzels, cotton candy, candy apples, popcorn \$0.50 each. Beverages are \$0.50 a cup or buy a Homecoming cup for \$1.00 (includes one fill), each additional fill is \$0.25. 4-7pm

What to do with the Budget Surplus? *POINT - COUNTERPOINT*

Pro-Small Tax Cut
James Oltmans

Right now Clinton is claiming our children's future is at stake over this current budget issue, but is investing money in social security and Medicare really going to solve the problem and pay off the debt? I don't think so. What we should really do is cut these programs. They're relics from an age that believed government could solve all our problems. We now know government causes more problems than it ever solves. In fact its "solutions" tend to cause problems that the "solution" remedies. Welfare is a prime example, we punish poor families whose father wants to stay by not giving as much money to them as we give to single mothers, then we wonder why there are all these single mothers stuck on welfare. The budget issue isn't all that different. If we would actually cut government programs and all the parasitic bureaucracies that are supported by them then we could pay off the debt easily on our current revenue instead of counting on predicted surpluses.

When it comes to blame for what or who caused our current budget deficit many are quick to point to Reaganomics and our late President Ronald Reagan [Editors note: President Reagan is still alive] as the cause of our current problems. The truth as I see it is that the Soviet Union is the one we should blame for our deficit. They were the ones that caused us to get into a war of appearances. Fortunately we kept up appearances then cut off their supply of money by making a deal to buy Middle East oil which drastically dropped the price of oil. This was done under the Reagan administration and I believe that if we had not acted in such a strategic manner we might still be fighting the Cold War. Now we are talking about Cold War spending, NOT Reaganomics. The two issues are separate and those that would equate the two are able to make a case for saying Reaganomics did not work. As a matter of fact Reaganomics did work. Right now we are experiencing one of the greatest booms in the economy ever. Now do you think that it's because of Clinton's policies? How could that be? He's spent half his presidency with his pants down and it hasn't fazed the economy one bit. Could it be that the economy reacts more slowly? Perhaps something that happened in the past like Reaganomics caused the present boom. We should take advantage of the boom and pay off the debt now instead of betting on future surpluses to pay it off. Paying off the debt does not mean sinking more money into the black hole of Social Security and Medicare. It means getting rid of our multi-trillion dollar deficit. The easiest way to do this is to get rid of Social Security and Medicare instead of just throwing more money at the programs.

James Oltmans and John McLaughlin live in the same universe, but perceive reality in completely different ways. Where do you stand?

Pro-Investing in the Future
John McLaughlin

The dilemma of how to allocate the United States' "projected" budget surplus varies from investing in new roads to returning it to taxpayers in the form of tax cuts. Many people believe that tax cuts can stimulate the economy by increasing the amount of public spending and investment. Republicans are upset by the idea that Bill Clinton may get his way and this money will end up "invested" in social security and Medicare.

The right answer is everyone is wrong, except Clinton who is a quarter wrong. Clinton's plan to invest is really a plan to pay off our Government's incredible debt. What deficits and debt means is that a country is crowding out legitimate business people by going to the banks (in this case, the bond markets) and borrowing all the money. Thus, when crazy kids like Henry Ford or Bill Gates go looking for money to get their ideas rolling, there isn't any because their government already got it all.

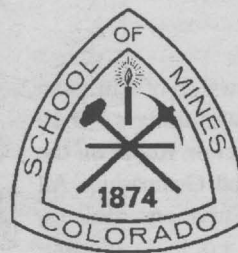
Clinton using buzzwords like Medicare or our children's future makes for better speeches than "market crowding or saturation," but that is what he is talking about. By paying off the mountains of debt that ballooned with the Vietnam War and 1970s inflation that exploded with the Cold War buster, "Star Wars" program, Clinton hopes to free money from government misuse and mismanagement. This freed money will then be able to flow to America's future "Bill Gates"s and "Ford"s.

Ironically, much of the United States' debt was accumulated the last time a president, Ronald Reagan, decided the country needed a large tax cut to stimulate the economy rather than lower budget deficits. For anyone that has seen "Ferris Bueller's Day Off", remember that this is what Ferris' teacher, played by Ben Stein, called "Voodoo what? Voodoo what? Voodoo economics." Unfortunately for the U.S., Reagan proved that a large tax cut to the wealthiest portion of a country does not mean that they will spend and invest all of that money in revenue and wealth accruing enterprises. In fact, Reagan's "largest tax cut in history" was followed by the "largest tax increase in history." Reaganomics failed so miserably, he succeeded in decreasing the country's production rather than increasing it.

Giving credence to Reaganomics and tax cut stimulus is like believing the earth is flat after having personally sailed from Spain to India. Tax cuts do not have the stimulation power balanced budgets and low debt does. The real issue Congress is debating right now is who can be more anti-Clinton. Unfortunately, for the country anti-Clinton in this case means anti-growth, anti-progress, and anti-business. Members of Congress should put their collective tails between their legs, bite the bullet, [insert other clichés] and vote for the "Social Security and Medicare relief" budget proposal.

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Hey Sophomores

Come meet your advisor!
ASCSM Sophomore class is having a
dinner for sophomore students and
advisors to meet.

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Miner Notes

APO

APO meets in Coolbaugh 209 on Tuesdays at 6:15 PM. For more information, contact Ian Nickerson at inickers@mines.edu

Bridge Club

If you would like to play cards and want something more interesting than hearts or spades, why not try bridge? The CSM Bridge Club meets every Tuesday at 7 PM in the Coolbaugh atrium. Player of all skill levels are welcome. Don't know how to play? We gladly offer lessons for new players.

Campus Crusade for Christ

All are welcome to join us, for our weekly 737 meeting. It is a place to hang out with friends and talk about life. The meeting is held every Thursday at 7:37 pm and is located at First Baptist Church of Golden on the corner of 19th and Wishington. Afterwards, we will be going to the Golden Grind for food and fellowship.

Catholic Newman Group

Anyone is welcome! A discussion group for contemporary issues. Every Tuesday night at 8:30 pm; 2nd floor of the Green Center in the Ted Adams Room. Contact Matt at 303-271-0654 or mlengeri@mines.edu for more information.

CSM Artist-Scholar series

The world-renowned Swiss pianist Hanni Schmid Wyss will present a recital with selections from Mozart, Suk, Mendelssohn, and Mussorgsky at 7:30 PM Monday 25 October in Friedhoff Hall.

Circle K

Come find out about the world's largest student run service organization. Meetings are held Tuesdays, 6 PM at the Student Center in room 236. For more information contact clapok@mines.edu

CSM Concert Choir

The CSM Choir is open to everyone!! Come sing jazz, classical, and contemporary pieces with us every Thursday from 4-6 pm in CO 209. Questions call Matt at 303-271-0654 or email mlengeri@mines.edu.

E-Days

E-Days 2000 is coming. As your organization begins to plan its new year, start planning to help with E-Days 2000!!! Meetings will be held on the following dates to help organizations figure out how and what they can do! November 16, January 11, February 8, March 7, March 28, and April 4. Questions? Contact Jessica Jordet 303-273-3908 or jjordet@mines.edu

FCA

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets Wednesdays at 7:30 PM in the Projection Room on the second floor of Volk Gymnasium. All are welcome: Christians, athletes, both, or neither. For more information email fbuckner@mines.edu.

FCC

Fellowship of Christian Cowboys (and girls), the 1996-97 New Club of the Year, meets weekly on Thursday at 6 information, email derjacks@mines.edu or visit the website. http://www.mines.edu/Stu_life/organ/fcc.

GLBE

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Engineers meetings held twice monthly with social events throughout the month. For more information contact glbe@mines.edu

Karate Club

CSM Karate Club has a new schedule! Monday and Wednesday from 6:30-8:00 PM in the Student Center Ballrooms.

Karate is a tremendous way to stay in great physical shape, tune mental concentration skills and gain confidence about personal security. Spectators and new students are welcome anytime. For more information call Amir at 303-216-2183 or email achaghaj@mines.edu.

Kayak Club

Kayak Club holds pool sessions every Monday from 7:30-9:30 PM. Everyone is welcome from beginners to advanced. For additional information, contact Jason at (303) 273-0507 or email jlegore@mines.edu.

Kendo Club

The CSM Kendo Club will meet Wednesday evenings, 7-9pm, in the Student Center ballrooms.

Kendo is the ancient art of Japanese fencing that evolved from the life and practice the the Samurai warrior. New students and spectators are welcome anytime. For more information call Sensei King at 303-795-9040 or email fourrex@aol.com.

Lacrosse Team

For everyone interested in playing competitive lacrosse, sign-ups for the CSM Lacrosse Team will be held at the CSM Lacrosse booth at Celebration of Mines on September 3.

All skill levels welcome. For more information check out the Lacrosse web-site on the CSM home page under club sports.

Lucas Seminar Series

Speaker Dr. Robert F. Curl, Jr., Prof. of Chemistry, Rice University, will be giving seminar on Monday, Nov. 1, 1999, 4:00, CO 209. Title: THE ASTOUNDING FULLERENES: An Adventure in Chemistry.

Maximize your Memory

Do you forget information you need to remember? Learn how to strengthen your memory for facts, equations, concepts, and what you read.

Tuesday, Oct. 26, 3:00-4:00pm Student Center, Room 236.

Wednesday, Oct. 27, 12:00-1:00pm Student Center, Room 236

RHA

RHA FLOOR DECORATING CONTEST will be judged on October 29. First place prize is \$125 to Hall Funds, etc...

HALLOWEEN PARTY:

Where: To Be Announced
When: Sunday, October 31, from 8pm to 11pm. There will be a DJ and dance floor, a costume contest, and refreshments and candy.

SCA

Fighter Practice: Tuesdays 7-9 PM in the Field House. Questions? Contact David at (303) 215-6243 or dclement@mines.edu.

Ski Team

Ski Team movie night November 12th. Come see the phat new flick 'Realm' by Teton Gravity Research. Tickets are \$5. Get movie tickets along with raffle tickets from a team member. Drylands are Monday-Thursday 5:15 pm at the Rock on Kafadar Commons.

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Tuesday, Oct. 19, 3:00-4:00pm Student Center, Room 236.

Wednesday, Oct. 20, 12:00-1:00pm Student Center, Room 236

The Ultimate Frisbee Organization

Practices on Kafadar commons every Tuesday and Wednesday at 4-5:30 PM. All are welcome to come practice with us for competitive play against other schools. Also, official UFO CSM frisbees are available for \$8. For more information contact Steve at (303) 271-9972 or sgrigel@mines.edu.

Women's Ultimate Frisbee Team

Want to have fun, make friends, and get in shape? Come be a part of Mines first ever Women's Ultimate Frisbee Team. No experience is required. First meeting Thursday, September 9, at 5:30 pm at Kafadar Commons. For more information call Julie West at 303-278-7431.

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